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## "ALL THAT GLITTERS"

— By — ANNE TEDLOCK BROOKS

What has gone before: Tamar refused to get excited when Ranny rides up to her house one afternoon wildly announcing that gold has been found on the plantation. Her family and natives always said the gold was there. Ranny rushes off to the office of Dick Sheridan with a demand that Dick had a way to break the contract between Tamar's father and the Major. The young men discuss the situation and plan a party, but Ranny, to his dismay, learns that Dick is taking Tamar.

### CHAPTER III.

Ransome stared gloomily out of the window of his room at Stafford, the Todd estate.

He neither saw the proud peacock spread its multi-colored feathers and go strutting across the line of his vision nor would he have cared if he had.

Dick Sheridan had asked Tamar to go with him to his dinner party. Todd thought of Dick's good-natured round face, his soft brown eyes, and wondered what effect they might have upon Tamar.

He was to call for Dick and his sister, Selby, at Pincenest in an hour, and then they would go by Shadwell for Tamar. The young men discussed the situation and plan a party, but Ranny, to his dismay, learns that Dick is taking Tamar.

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with her dressing. She stopped once to go in and let her mother pull up the long zipper at the back of her white satin evening gown that increased her figure lovingly.

"I know you'll have a nice time with Richard. The Sheridans are such fine gentlemen."

Tamar was glad her mother could not see her wrinkle her nose. Dick was all right, she admitted. He had always been polite to her at Miss Lacey's dancing class, and they were small. But he had always been such a fat little boy!

"And you're going to have dinner and dance at the Roistans? That should be fun," her mother went on. "This is such a lovely dress, Tamar. No one would guess that it's not new."

Tamar leaned swiftly over the bed and kissed the nearest pale cheek. "You're a sweet to tell me, mother. I'm going mostly to hear all that Dick has to say about the Cricket Hill. Dad would never tell his own folk just what happened."

The faded eyes on the pillow brightened. "Did he sound awfully excited, Tamar? I wonder why your father doesn't come in?"

"Oh, he probably is sitting down this moment at the inn eating with the Major. He ought to call. Shall I have Phoebe bring up your tray?"

"Yes, honey, if you will. I caught a whiff of baking ham a few minutes ago."

Tamar went out of the room to call to Phoebe. Her mother's throat caught, as she saw the slender figure bending over the old walnut banister. She was seeing Tamar in her little pink dress whirling down to land in her father's arms, back years and years ago. That was when Knox Randolph had just decided to mine the Cricket Hill.

She would always remember how her husband looked that day. He came in at noon, white and haggard. Phoebe had just called dinner. Knox had not eaten, but insisted that she and Tamar go on into the cool dining room.

She had swallowed her food hastily and hurried up to their bedroom. He sat in the leather chair, staring out of the window.

"It's no use, Maris. The bank closed its doors to-day. Every cent I intended to put in that equipment is gone."

"But the Rayburns—" she gasped.

"They're taking it hard, too. Just for us, but think of all the small depositors."

"The Todds will profit from this. Their bank will be the only one here from now on. Ransome Todd is a smart man."

The next few years had been difficult for the Randolphs. They had sold most of their horses, leaving the stables and the paddocks with an empty look. They had gradually dropped out of the wealthy leisure class with servants and hospitality, to a modest life. But they had seen that Tamar had her good times, and even managed to give her two years in the seminary where the Southern girls aspired to go.

Maris Randolph closed her eyes. She knew that her husband and daughter had not wanted her to know all about their finances the last year. But without their knowledge, she had known. Even the white-starred face of Tahlanehka II. had disappeared from the meadow gate where he habitually stood for Tamar to bring his apple in the evenings. They did not mention their selling him, so she could not tell them she had missed him.

Knox had worn the same business suit for months, keeping as well groomed as possible, and other economies were too noticeable, yet they did not discuss them.

The servants who remained were loyal. Phoebe and Aristotles and his puppy. The field hands were still living in the stone cabins, and at nights Maris could sometimes hear their songs from their little meeting-house in the woods on the bank of the Chestatee.

Phoebe's soft voice came from the hallway below. "Batter 'em, mother, honey. You'll spill that beautiful gown. Who's Miss Ranny can't you 'nigh'?"

"I'll take it, Phoebe. Mr. Todd is not taking me anywhere, now or any other time. I'm going to the Roistans with Dick."

Phoebe went toward the kitchen, grumbling and scowling.

Tamar carried the tray carefully up the stairs. Her lips closed scornfully. Ransome Todd with his high-handed ways needn't think that he could call her father a fool and get by with it! She smiled grimly and wondered what he'd do when he found out that Dick Sheridan had helped them with his handling the contracts for Major Towne.

Even as she thought these things, back in her mind was the picture of a little boy in a white linen suit bow-

ling before her, his blonde hair plastered back from his wide brow. "May I have the pleasure of this dance, Miss Randolph?" How they always giggled!

Tamar remembered, too, splashing through the waters of the Chestatee, wading and catching craw-dada, and watching out for water moccasins. She took these memories resolutely from her mind. The stillness that had engulfed her since Ransome kissed her, she could not understand. Why need her heart beat so slowly every time she remembered his lips against hers? She saw again the imprint of her hand across his tanned cheek.

Tamar helped her mother with the tray and returned to her room to finish her toilet. She picked up the box that held the corsage that had come by special messenger out from town 30 minutes ago. Dick must have known that she'd wear white. She pinned the red roses carefully to her shoulder, stealing one out to tuck in her black curls behind her ear.

She heard a car on the other side of the house, dashed into her sister's room and pivoted about in the doorway.

"Oh, you look charming Tamar!" Maris felt pride leap into her voice. Tamar was the picture of that first Tamar Randolph whose portrait hung over the mantle in the drawing room. Tamar's great-grandmother had been known as a beauty in the first days of Shadwell. The story of her tragic death still haunted them all.

Tamar kissed her mother's forehead. "I may be late, darling."

"Have a lovely evening and give my regards to Richard."

Dick was waiting for her in the reception hall. His dark head bare, his brown eyes lit with his slow smile. His figure, now, in a few years, he was definitely thick.

"You're looking mighty pretty, Tam."

"Thank you, Dick. Ready?"

They were across the portico and going down the flagstone walk to the waiting car when Tam stopped suddenly.

"Ransome Todd! Is he going, too?"

"Yes, Ran and Selby. I wanted to surprise you."

She said sharply: "Well, you did. Hello, Selby," she greeted the girl in the front seat.

Dick's eyes grew wide. She didn't speak to Ransome. He started a questioning look at his rival, who was suddenly engrossed in deep conversation with Selby. Dick's eyebrows shot up in a sharp triangle. Ran was really responsible for the new contracts for the Cricket Hill, and here was the person who had probably profited the most from his foresight and she was not on speaking terms with him.

Tamar suddenly found the most interesting things to talk about, and she sat close to Dick on the way to the popular new Roistans Inn, out on the highway about 10 miles from Shadwell.

As they drew near, she could see the lighted tavern sign and cars parked in blurred groups close to the native stone building. From its open windows soft music drifted through the venetian blinds.

Ransome made a ceremony out of the parking, and Selby said: "Don't you think this is too romantic for words, Tam? What's the big celebration anyway? Brother said that this is a special occasion."

Tamar leaned close to her, while they waited on the men. "Tamar, you wouldn't go and get yourself engaged—or," she whispered hopefully.

Tamar gasped. "I certainly would not!" she said emphatically. "Where would I have found anyone to marry, suddenly out of the blue?"

Out of the blue. The only new man she had seen in months was Christopher Sande, the engineer at the Cricket Hill. A tingling sensation struck her. She remembered him again on the stairs at Shadwell. And saw him clearly now for the first time.

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Large Numbers Of Birds Spend Christmas In Canada

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Some of the more familiar birds that spend Christmas in Canada are English sparrows, starlings, chickadees, woodpeckers, jays, and grouse. They do not, like woodchucks, black bears, and various other mammals, hibernate in a state of reduced animation, but are alert and active in spite of low temperatures. A restricted supply of food, and shortened daylight periods in which to feed. Even the tiny chickadee manages to keep from freezing during a 16-hour winter night in sub-zero weather in the north woods.

Last year experienced observers working singly or in groups at various points from Nova Scotia to British Columbia, counted more than 36,000 birds of 123 different kinds. Similar surveys were made this Christmas, and will provide information useful to the Department of Mines and Resources and other agencies concerned with conservation of wild life.

## GEMS OF THOUGHT

DILIGENCE  
We want not time, but diligence, for great performances.—Dr. Samuel Johnson.

When the archer misses the centre of the target he turns around and seeks for the cause of his failure within himself.—Confucius.

Few men are lacking in capacity, but they fail because they are lacking in application.—Calvin Coolidge.

Success in life depends upon persistent effort, upon the improvement of moments more than upon any other one thing.—Mary Baker Eddy.

If you have great talents, industry will improve them; if but moderate abilities, industry will supply their deficiencies.—Samuel Smiles.

Industry is not only the instrument of improvement, but the foundation of pleasure.—Hugh Blair.

## Gunner Saves Planes

Used Searchlight To Guide Them Through Fog To Base

Gunner Laurence Smith, member of a searchlight crew, used his light as a beacon to guide the crews of two British bombers to their base "somewhere in England."

The planes, returning from Germany, were lost in a fog, but Smith set them on their course by flashing the light in the direction of the base. He did this several times until the crews realized what he meant and both aircraft landed safely.

The average depth of the Antarctic Ocean around the Polar regions is about two miles.

The grafting of tomato and potato plants has produced a new starchless vegetable called the "topato."

Scientists have figured that 180 tons of sunshine fall upon the earth each year. 2445

## Clemenceau Know

Propheesed That Germany Would Again Make Trouble For World "The Germans," said Clemenceau, "cannot be trusted. They are always the same, and always will be. They will always have someone at their head who will lead them astray, for they must be led. That is their nature. Ten years ago it was the Kaiser; ten years from now it will be somebody else. Even if a race they are all right, which I do not believe, then the rest of the world must unite in saving them from the men they select as leaders."

"The Versailles Treaty is endeavoring to do that. If it fails, it will do so for one of two reasons: either it was not severe enough, or else the rest of the world will relax and not continue to impose its obligations. I am too old to see the fulfillment of my prophecy. I do not know if you will, but I know what I am saying will come to pass."

## Tanks Of New Type

Waltzing Matilda Is One Of Best Britain Has Built

Britain is now turning out tanks in six types. Details of two new ones, the Coventry and the Churchill, are secret. One of the known types is the Waltzing Matilda, built at a cost of £20,000, and in a battle near Tobruk the Italians scored 14 direct hits on her, and yet the Matilda plowed right through. Tanks are infantry savers but the foot soldier has to follow up.

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## Health LEAGUE OF CANADA presents TOPICS OF VITAL INTEREST

### WIPING OUT DIPHTHERIA

In the nutrition field and in the campaign to abolish diphtheria, public health measures known in Canada are now being used for the improvement of public health in Great Britain. It was disclosed in a bulletin of the Health League of Canada.

Toronto's record in diphtheria control is now being spread throughout Great Britain by means of the press, radio, movies, billboards, and posters, according to a letter received by Toronto's medical officer of health, Dr. Gordon P. Jackson, from S. F. Wilkinson, director of public relations for the British Ministry of Health.

"How Toronto beat diphtheria" is the headings on large posters displayed prominently in hundreds of British towns and cities. The poster says: "We can do likewise. It's up to you." It goes on to show how in 1920 Toronto had 1,022 cases of diphtheria and 64 deaths, and how, after a campaign for immunization began, the cases dropped to 56 in 1933, with five deaths, and in 1940 there were no cases, and of course no deaths.

The British Ministry of Health has asked Dr. Jackson to send them full details of how Toronto co-operated with voluntary organizations such as the Health League of Canada, how clinics were set up, and how parents were persuaded that they should have their children protected against diphtheria.

Many other cities in Canada have had a "No diphtheria" record during the past year. Health League officials said. But in some centres of Canada the disease still takes its toll. Diphtheria could be completely wiped out of Canada, if proper health educational methods were adopted and parents had their children vaccinated.

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**Seed Fairs**  
For the next two or three months we shall all be thinking about seed. Farmers will first decide what acreage must be devoted to wheat, coarse grains, corn, grass, clovers, roots, etc. Then a decision respecting the most suitable variety of each crop must be made. Then, if new seed is necessary, will commercial seed do, or should registered or certified stocks be secured and how much?

One of the best ways to obtain and to give ideas on these problems is to attend the Provincial Seed Fair. The Alberta Seed Fair will be held in Edmonton on January 21st and 22nd, and an Agricultural Short Course will be held in conjunction therewith.

University Farm Week has become one of the most important agricultural gatherings in Saskatchewan. This year it will be held, as usual, at the University during the period January 13-16. Besides the Seed Fair, other important events included in Farm Week will be annual meetings of the C.S.G.A. (Saskatchewan branch), the Saskatchewan Field Husbandry Association and the Saskatchewan Agricultural Societies Association.

It is anticipated that the Manitoba Provincial Seed Fair and Short Course will be held as usual, but the date has not yet been set.

This year, again, the Agricultural Department of the North-West Line Elevators Association will erect an educational exhibit at Provincial Seed Fairs. The chief points concerned in grading seed will be illustrated, and germinating seeds and mangled weed seeds will be on display.



## ANOTHER CONVOY RAIDER SHOT DOWN

A German Dornier twin engined bomber, which attempted to attack a British convoy was shot down by H M S Vanity, an escorting destroyer

A direct hit was made on the aircraft which was crashed into the sea, leaving no survivors. This picture is of the successful gun crew of the H M S Vanity.

WHERE DO NEWSPERS GET  
AGRICULTURAL NEWS?

A source survey of Agriculture News in the daily press has been completed in Wisconsin. Sixty three daily papers, with circulation ranging from 2,890 to 432,732 and featuring Agricultural News from 31 States, were using more material from county extension workers than any other source. States extension service releases were a close second.

Two issues of each of the 63 papers were analyzed and the 126 papers contained 12,857 column inches of Agricultural News and information and 3,097 inches of cut's on agricultural subjects. About 20 per cent of the news came from County Agents and home Demonstration Agents; 16 per cent was obtained from releases of State Extension Service and 15 per cent was classified as editorials and columns written by the staff of the paper. About one-third of the news items were classed as production information.

These findings are of interest to serving rural people. The fact that one third of the news items in question dealt with production problems suggests that farmers want this type of information. The newspaper is one of the important sources of agricultural information available to the farmer and a real service can be performed by the paper which carries timely news items that apply to the district.

## FARM METALS

From the farmers standpoint the most important metals are iron and steel, aluminum, copper, nickel, tin and zinc. There is a scarcity of all of these metals and anything the farmer can do to save or conserve these metals will be to save or conserve these metal will be to the common good.

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